

President's Message

Spring 2025

Ethical Issues of Major Concern

Of course, you and I realize that "surgical" abortion is wrong because it intentionally destroys a human life. It's pretty obvious, since we can recognize the form of the embryo/fetus as human. These abortions are shocking, since the developing life is literally torn apart, often at a stage of life in which he/ she already feels pain. Through ultra-sound, you can see him/her squirming away from the vacuum or the knife of the abortionist.

Less obvious is the similar evil of an early abortion. a) "medical" abortion causes the death of the human zygote/embryo/fetus. b) The supposed "contraceptive" I.U.D. (intra-uterine device) causes miscarriages (abortions).

- c) Sometimes the contraceptive "pill" causes an early miscarriage (abortion).
- d) The in-vitro-fertilization process inherently destroys some of the human embryos conceived on a dish. Look in the "**Did You Know?**" section for further clarification.



We stand against any form of destroying God-given human life.

Please pray that people will realize the evil of killing in any form, and stand for the dignity of every single person, at every stage of his/her life.

Hopeful Easter Season to you,

Board Chair (Rev.) Ted Slaman

(Rev.) Lea Slaman

DID YOU KNOW that "medical" abortion uses two different drugs to destroy and expel the human embryo/fetus? If the pregnant woman changes her mind within a day or two of taking the first drug, the abortion can usually be reversed, and the child's life saved.

DID YOU KNOW that the "contraceptive" I.U.D. (intra-uterine device) does not prevent conception? Rather, conception can take place as "normal", but the I.U.D creates a hostile uterine environment for any human zygote. Therefore, the human zygote usually dies in an early miscarriage, or really, abortion.

DID YOU KNOW that the contraceptive pill usually prevents the release of the ovum, but perhaps 10% of the time an ovum is still released and could be fertilized by the sperm? In this case conception takes place, but the hormones of "the pill" cause the uterus wall to be inhospitable to the human zygote, therefore causing an early miscarriage, or rather, abortion.

DID YOU KNOW that in-vitro-fertilization seems on the surface to be a very compassionate process for an infertile couple longing to have a child? However, in reality, the process involves taking a number of ova, fertilizing them with sperm on a dish, checking which ova survive, and survive "healthy". Then several "healthy" human zygotes are placed in the uterus for them to develop into embryos, fetuses and babies. The "left-over" human zygotes are discarded (human trash) or frozen (for possible future use).

DID YOU KNOW that legal issues are coming up about who "owns" the frozen human zygotes and what is to happen to them? But really, does anyone own another human being?

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SO NOW YOU KNOW that I.U.D.s, and I.V.F. are all abortive, as much as the use of "medical" abortion drugs, and that use of "contraceptive" pills is sometimes abortive. These cannot be in God's plan for people to use. We know that sometimes miscarriages happen naturally, as sickness and death also happen naturally – only God understands why. But it is for us Christians and for all people of good will to reject any intentional miscarriage (abortion) as evil.

Pro-Women Pro-Babies Pro-Love Pro-Life

Mission Statement:

Hamilton Right to Life (HRTL) is a not-for-profit organization committed to the principle that God is the author of life, and that each human life has intrinsic value and should be revered and protected from conception to natural death. Our mission is to educate and promote these positions with compassion by encouraging people to choose life and affirm the sanctity of all human life.

Canada's Federal Government considers removing religious charitable tax exemption:

Recently it was learned that the House of Commons Finance Committee submitted a pre-budget report (tabled in Parliament just before Christmas) recommending the government strip churches, Christian charities, and pro-life organizations of their charitable status. This action targets pro-life organizations like Hamilton Right to Life (HRTL). If these proposals become law, churches and charities alike will be systematically dismantled, stripped of their financial resources, have government-imposed penalties and 100% revocation tax applied (seizing assets). This would have a huge detrimental impact on charities, potentially to the point of closing down.

Please consider adding your voice by signing a petition formulated by Campaign Life Coalition (CLC). Visit their website: https://www.CampaignLifeCoalition.com/petition/id/96

Upcoming Events

For further information on all our events and to register please visit our website: HamiltonRightToLife.org. Email: Office@HamiltonRightToLife.org Or call our office 905.528.3065.

National March for Life - Ottawa - Thursday May 8th





On May 8th join thousands of Canadians from all walks of life as we gather on Parliament Hill in Ottawa for the 2025 National March for Life. Together let's remind our elected officials to NEVER FORGET ...the child in the womb...the mother with an unexpected pregnancy...the person living with a disability or mental illness......or the senior who needs care — not killing.

We remain faithful to our pledge: From conception to natural death. No compromises. No exceptions. No excuses.

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We're planning two 56-seat buses (with washroom) to transport us to Ottawa.

One-Day Trip for Adults & Families Thursday, May 08, 2025, 6:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.

5:45 AM: meet at Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, 714 King St W, Hamilton

Returning at 11:00 PM the same day.

Free-will offering to help defray costs.

Two-Day Youth Trip

Thursday May 08, 2025, 6:00 a.m. to Friday May 09, 2025, 11:00 p.m.

5:45 AM: meet at Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, 714 King St W, Hamilton

For Youth and Young Adults aged 13 – 29 years old.

Chaperones will escort youth 18 year of age and under.

Cost: \$100 - Includes bus, hotel (shared accommodation),

Rose Dinner and Youth Summit

Additional Pick-up & drop-off point: Bronte Rd - QEW Carpool Lot

A pre-born human: not a "potential life", a "life with potential."

Baby Bottle Campaign 2025 – Mother's Day May 11th to Father's Day June 15th

Join your church/parish congregation in this fun-fundraising initiative to support our mission to promote the sanctity of all human life. Babybottles will be distributed on Mother's Day May 11th at local participating churches/parishes. Fill them up with loose change, coins, bills or a cheque payable to: Hamilton Right to Life. Return filled bottles to your church on Father's Day June 15th. We provide charitable tax receipts for contributions of \$20 or more (will be sent out in February 2026).

If you would like to coordinate a Baby Bottle Campaign in your church, please contact our/HRTL office

Please mark your calendar:

Tuesday, September 16th - Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Sunday, October 5th – Life Chain, 5 locations, 2:30 – 3:30p.m.

Wednesday, November 5th – Respect Life Dinner @ 5:30p.m.

Michelangelo Banquet Centre, 1555 Upper Ottawa St. Hamilton

Candlelight Prayer Vigil - January 27th

We hosted our 16th Annual Prayer Vigil acknowledging the 37th anniversary of the 1988 "No Abortion Law" in Canada. We give thanks to St. George's Church for hosting our event, starting with worship and prayer, then walking to McMaster Children's Hospital for a half-hour of silent prayer. Then back to St. George's for refreshments and apologetics training. We also showed the new short film "Vito-Man" created by Jack Fabrizio and his Sheridan College classmates, focused on his three-year-old cousin Vito who lives and thrives with down syndrome. We humbly showed special appreciation to Vito's mother, in attendance, for her unwavering and enduring love, dedication and support for her son. She fought for his life while in the womb and continues to face challenges as he grows. May God continue to bless your family.











40 Days for Life - March 5th - April 13th

This year HRTL took the lead in organizing "40 Days for Life". We're pleased to see the commitment of those who signed up to stand for an hour, or more, to bear silent witness in prayer in front of McMaster Children's Hospital. Thank you for joining us to pray for mothers, fathers, and their unborn children.

Life Talks Conference - March 29th

Board members, staff and young adults, 16 in all, attended Halton Alive's "Life Talks" Conference. It was an enlightening and worthwhile time to hear about current developments around challenging life issues and how we can respond in a compassionate way. We plan to have future discussions about how we can expand our current community activities and responses to enquiries around unplanned pregnancies and euthanasia / MAiD (medical assistance in dying).

Mark your Calendar – plan to attend next year's **Life Talks on Saturday March 28, 2026.**

40th Annual Bishop's Charity Dinner - March 1st

HRTL representatives attended the Bishop's Dinner, where we were blessed with a gift from funds raised and had the honour of meeting his Excellency Reverend Bishop Douglas Crosby, God is good all the time.

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